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Dennis To Hurl For Generals In Maryland

Dennis Hill has officially nailed down the opening day pitching assignment for Wakefield High School, which starts its baseball campaign tomorrow at Richard Montgomery in Rockville, Maryland.

Hill, a little southpaw, who is in his first year in high school competition, won the job for himself when veteran left hander Mert McGill missed several practice days due to illness and failed to round back into condition quickly.

Hill has been threatening to snatch the opening day honors all Spring, with his control, curves and speed all working in his favor. McGill's illness last week practically settled the argument except for Mert's attempt to whip himself back in shape and make a fight of it this week.

Coach Mort Irwin has decided on a definite starting line-up for tomorrow with shortstop Doc Kugler batting first, left fielder Don Baldwin second, right fielder Henry Mayo third, and catcher Ken Darling hitting in the coveted clean-up spot.

Third sacker Gary Parker is batting fifth, second baseman Al Bauserman sixth, centerfielder Dan Breeden seventh, either Lew Schweickhardt or Frank Stevens, both first basemen, eighth and pitcher Dennis Hill ninth.

Only one spot in the line-up is still undecided. Irwin plans to hold off his first base choice until he takes a look at the Richard Montgomery pitching.

Wakefield finished last season with a .500 record, winning and losing eight ball games and tying one. The Warriors are hoping to improve their mark this season as Wakefield makes its last appearance in baseball before entering Group One competition next year.

IT'S UP TO YOU, DENNIS—Wakefield baseball coach, Mort Irwin, (right) gives the ball to Dennis Hill (center) to indicate his choice of pitchers for tomorrow's opening game with Richard Montgomery. Mert McGill, (left) who practically lost his chances of winning the assignment when illness kept him out of several practices last week, looks on. McGill has already been given the job of pitching against George Mason next Tuesday.

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